



Schedule of Proposed Action (SOPA)

10/01/2004 to 12/31/2004

Monongahela National Forest

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Project Name	Project Purpose	Planning Status	Decision	Expected Implementation	Project Contact
Projects Occurring on more than one District					
Adjustments to Management and Improvements on Four Grazing Areas EA	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Watershed management - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Special use management - Road management - Grazing management - Facility management	Completed	Exptd:07/2004 Actual: 09/01/2004	11/2004	Harry Pawelczyk (304) 636-1800 ext. 257 hpawelczyk@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal to continue allowing the grazing of livestock on the four project areas while making adjustments to management and allotment facilities.				
	Location: UNIT - Cheat Ranger District, Greenbrier Ranger District, Marlinton Ranger District, White Sulphur Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Greenbrier, Pocahontas, Randolph, Tucker. The Rimel, Allegheny Battlefield, and Queens Grazing Allotments, and the Callison/Clark Tract Grazing Special Use Permit Area.				
Adventurous Seasonal Pursuits DM	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start : 10/2004	Exptd:01/2005	01/2005	Sara Schell (304) 257-4488 sschell@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal to outfit and guide backpacking, canoeing, and snow shoe trips.				
	Location: UNIT - Cheat Ranger District, Greenbrier Ranger District, Marlinton Ranger District, Potomac Ranger District, White Sulphur Ranger District, Gauley Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Grant, Greenbrier, Nicholas, Pendleton, Pocahontas, Randolph, Tucker, Webster. A variety of trails and streams.				
Bernard Dowler DM	- Special use management	Completed	Exptd:09/2004 Actual: 09/01/2004	10/2004	Sara Schell (304) 257-4488 sschell@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal to outfit and guide hunting and fishing trips				
	Location: UNIT - Cheat Ranger District, Greenbrier Ranger District, Marlinton Ranger District, Potomac Ranger District, White Sulphur Ranger District, Gauley Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Grant, Greenbrier, Nicholas, Pendleton, Pocahontas, Randolph, Tucker, Webster. Various locations across the Forest.				

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Glady Fork EIS	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Watershed management - Road management - Forest products	In Progress: NOI in FR 07/05/2002	Exptd:02/2005	03/2005	Laura Hise (304) 636-1800 ext. 219 lhise@fs.fed.us
	Description: Timber harvest, transportation management, wildlife opening development and other activities to improve watershed health.. WEB LINK - http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/mnf/environmental/environmental_index.htm				
	Location: UNIT - Cheat Ranger District, Greenbrier Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Randolph. Randolph County, W. Va..				
Glenville State College DM	- Special use management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Sara Schell (304) 257-4488 sschell@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal to outfit and guide backpacking trips on Monongahela National Forest System lands.				
	Location: UNIT - Cheat Ranger District, Potomac Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Grant, Tucker. Dolly Sods Wilderness.				
Serenity Now Outfitters DM	- Special use management	Completed	Exptd:08/2004 Actual: 07/19/2004	08/2004	Sara Schell (304) 257-4488 sschell@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal to guide fishing, mountain biking, canoeing, and cross-country skiing on National Forest System lands.				
	Location: UNIT - Marlinton Ranger District, White Sulphur Ranger District, Gauley Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Greenbrier, Nicholas, Pocahontas, Webster. Rivers and trails on the White Sulphur, Gauley, and Marlinton Ranger Districts.				

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Monongahela National Forest Units		Monongahela National Forest		R9 - Eastern Region	
Monongahela Forest Plan Revision EIS	- Land management planning	In Progress: NOI in FR 05/03/2002 Estimated availability of FEIS 08/2005	Exptd:08/2005	09/2005	David Ede (304)636-1800 dede@fs.fed.us
	Description: The EIS will identify and evaluate changes proposed to the 1986 Forest Plan, which direct management of all MNF activities.. WEB LINK - http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/mnf/environmental/environmental_index.htm				
	Location: UNIT - Monongahela National Forest Units. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Barbour, Grant, Greenbrier, Nicholas, Pendleton, Pocahontas, Preston, Randolph, Tucker, Webster. LEGAL - NFS lands within proclaimed boundaries of the Monongahela National Forest. Monongahela National Forest, Elkins, WV.				

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Cheat/Potomac Ranger District		Monongahela National Forest		R9 - Eastern Region	
AWP Easement EIS	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start : 01/2005	Exptd:09/2005	10/2005	Bill Shields (208) 983-1950 Ext. 4117 bshields@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal to grant an easement for private access to an isolated parcel in Blackwater Canyon.				
	Location: UNIT - Cheat Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Tucker. Olson Opportunity Area 16.102, Canyon-Rim OA 13.009, Mozark OA 16.103, and Canaan Mountain OA 16.202.				
Allredge Academy DM	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping start 12/19/2003	Exptd:11/2004	11/2004	Sara Schell (304) 257-4488 sschell@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal to outfit and guide backpacking trips on Monongahela National Forest System lands.				
	Location: UNIT - Cheat Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Randolph, Tucker. Otter Creek Wilderness and Forest Road 244.				
Allegheny Pipeline DM	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping start 06/16/2004	Exptd:10/2004	06/2005	Deb Sholly (304) 456-3335 ext. 14 dsholly@fs.fed.us
	Description: Horseshoe Run Services, LLC. has applied for a Special Use Permit for the construction, operation, and maintenance of a natural gas pipeline. The proposal is to construct approximately .85 miles of buried, natural gas pipeline.				
	Location: UNIT - Cheat Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Tucker. From near Hwy 219 outside Parsons, WV, southwest along Allegheny Powerline right-of-way, down woods road to Hwy 219 near Moore, WV.				
Eastern Mennonite University DM	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping start 12/19/2003	Exptd:10/2004	10/2004	Sara Schell (304) 257-4488 sschell@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal to outfit and guide backpacking trips on Monongahela National Forest System lands.				
	Location: UNIT - Cheat Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Tucker. Otter Creek Wilderness.				

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Lead Mine Seismic Program DM	- Minerals and Geology	Completed	Exptd:08/2004 Actual: 08/26/2004	04/2005	Deb Sholly (304) 456-3335 ext. 14 dsholly@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposed seismic exploration program using vibroseis, shot hole, and geophone/cable methods.				
	Location: UNIT - Cheat Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Tucker. In areas north of Parsons, WV, and near Lead Mine, WV.				
Lower Clover EA	- Road management - Forest products	In Progress: 215 Comment period legal notice 06/07/2004	Exptd:10/2004	11/2004	Laura Hise (304) 636-1800 ext. 219 lhise@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal to manage vegetation via timber harvesting and to construct, maintain, and abandon roads.				
	Location: UNIT - Cheat Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Tucker. Lower Clover Run Opportunity Area 13.006, approximately five miles northwest of Parsons, WV.				
Nichols Pipeline and Access Road DM	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping start 06/16/2004	Exptd:10/2004	06/2005	Deb Sholly (304) 456-3335 ext. 14 dsholly@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal to construct a buried, natural gas pipeline and a short access road				
	Location: UNIT - Cheat Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Tucker. West of village of Lead Mine, WV.				
Nursery Bottom Noxious Weed Control DM	- Vegetation management (other than forest products)	Completed	Exptd:07/2004 Actual: 09/01/2004	09/2004	Andrew Stump (304)478-3251 astump@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal to spot treat Japanese knotweed and other exotic aggressive vegetation with roundup herbicide as necessary				
	Location: UNIT - Cheat Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Tucker. Parsons Nursery Bottom, Parsons, WV.				
Selena Harper DM	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start : 10/2004	Exptd:01/2005	01/2005	Sara Schell (304) 257-4488 sschell@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal to cultivate hay				
	Location: UNIT - Cheat Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Tucker. Tucker County.				

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Gauley Ranger District		Monongahela National Forest		R9 - Eastern Region	
Cherry River EA	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Watershed management - Road management - Forest products	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start : 07/2004	Exptd:01/2005	05/2005	Jane Bard (304) 846-2695 jbard@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal to harvest timber, manage wildlife habitat, construct and reconstruct roads, implement projects to control erosion and improve stream channels				
	Location: UNIT - Gauley Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Greenbrier, Nicholas. Within the North Fork Cherry River and the Cherry River watersheds.				
Cranberry Adventures and Outfitters DM	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start : 10/2004	Exptd:01/2005	01/2005	Sara Schell (304) 257-4488 sschell@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal to outfit and guide hunting and fishing trips using mules and wagons				
	Location: UNIT - Gauley Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Nicholas, Webster. Trails and streams in the Cranberry Backcountry.				
Desert Branch Timber Sale and Wildlife Habitat EA	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Road management - Recreation management - Forest products	In Progress: Scoping start 05/08/2001	Exptd:10/2004	12/2004	Jane Bard (304) 846-2695 jbard@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal to harvest timber, manage wildlife habitat, construct and reconstruct roads, and make trail improvements				
	Location: UNIT - Gauley Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Greenbrier, Nicholas. Desert Branch Opportunity Area #26.106.				
Fisherman's Trail Bridge Construction DM	- Recreation management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start : 10/2004	Exptd:11/2004	09/2005	Tim Henry (304) 799-4334 tlhenry@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposed construction of a trail bridge to cross the Cranberry River to access the Fisherman's Trail from FR 76				
	Location: UNIT - Gauley Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Webster. LEGAL - U.S. Tract #372. Fisherman's Trail #231, terminus at Cranberry River.				

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Gating Mine Openings DM	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start : 10/2004	Exptd:11/2004	05/2005	Jay Martin (304) 846-2695 jdmartin@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal to use gates to close mine openings				
	Location: UNIT - Gauley Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Greenbrier. Summit Lake Opportunity Area 26.107.				
J.C. Hammer, FR 735 DM	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start : 10/2004	Exptd:11/2004	11/2004	Sara Schell (304) 257-4488 sschell@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal to use FR 735 to access private land				
	Location: UNIT - Gauley Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Webster. Forest Road 735.				
Kennison Mountain Trail Bridge Construction DM	- Recreation management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start : 10/2004	Exptd:11/2004	09/2005	Tim Henry (304) 799-4334 tlhenry@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposed construction of a trail bridge to cross the Cranberry River to access the Kennison Mountain Trail from FR 102				
	Location: UNIT - Gauley Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Pocahontas. LEGAL - US Tract #372. Kennison Mountain Trail @244, terminus at Cranberry River.				
Lower Williams River Abandoned Coal Mines Restoration and Road Obliteration EA	- Watershed management	In Progress: Scoping start 12/01/2000	Exptd:10/2004	12/2004	Linda Tracy (304) 636-1800 ext. 275 lltracy@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal to remove debris; grade/armor discharge channels; and re-store drainage or obliterate roads.				
	Location: UNIT - Gauley Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Webster. Lower Williams River, approximately five miles southeast of Dyer, WV.				
North Fork Cherry River Trail Bridge and Trail Construction DM	- Recreation management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start : 10/2004	Exptd:11/2004	09/2005	Tim Henry (304) 799-4334 tlhenry@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal to construct approximately 1/4 mile trail and trail bridge to link the Fork Mountain Trail and Tri-Rivers Rail/Trail				
	Location: UNIT - Gauley Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Nicholas. LEGAL - US Tract #372. The North Fork of the Cherry River in the vicinity of the Gauley Ranger District office, one mile north of Richwood, WV.				

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West End Outfitters DM	- Special use management	Completed	Exptd:08/2004 Actual: 08/26/2004	10/2004	Sara Schell (304) 257-4488 sschell@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal to provide guided fishing trips on National Forest System lands.				
	Location: UNIT - Gauley Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Nicholas, Webster. Cranberry and North Fork Cherry Rivers.				

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Greenbrier Ranger District		Monongahela National Forest		R9 - Eastern Region	
Camp Tygart DM	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start : 10/2004	Exptd:11/2004	11/2004	Sara Schell (304) 257-4488 sschell@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal to outfit and guide backpacking trips on Forest roads and trails				
	Location: UNIT - Greenbrier Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Pocahontas. Various Forest roads and trails.				
Cass Scenic Railroad DM	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping start 07/17/2004	Exptd:11/2004	11/2004	Sara Schell (304) 257-4488 sschell@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal to outfit and guide and provide shuttle services from Cass, WV to National Forest land via Cass Scenic Railroad trains.				
	Location: UNIT - Greenbrier Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Pocahontas. Various locations along the Cass Scenic Railroad grade.				
Fansler DM	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start : 10/2004	Exptd:11/2004	11/2004	Sara Schell (304) 257-4488 sschell@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal to authorize road use to access private land				
	Location: UNIT - Greenbrier Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Pocahontas. Road use across US Tract 378 from Forest Road 44 south of Gladys, WV.				
Greenbrier Ranger District Timber Sale Improvement DM	- Vegetation management (other than forest products)	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start : 10/2004	Exptd:12/2004	12/2004	Kevin Taylor 304-456-3335 kltaylor@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal to fell small trees in young stands (10-20 years of age) to release desirable species				
	Location: UNIT - Greenbrier Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Randolph. East of Huttonsville, WV on the West side of Cheat Mountain in the Chestnut Ridge and Upper Tygart Valley Opportunity Areas.				

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Marlinton/White Sulphur Ranger District		Monongahela National Forest		R9 - Eastern Region	
Buzzard Ridge Paragliding Site Trail DM	- Recreation management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start : 10/2004	Exptd:11/2004	11/2004	Tim Henry (304) 799-4334 tlhenry@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposed development of a paraglliding launch site trail.				
	Location: UNIT - Marlinton Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Pocahontas. LEGAL - US Tract #643. Buzzard Ridge, Forest Road 1026.				
Canoeing DM	- Special use management	Cancelled	N/A	N/A	Sara Schell (304) 257-4488 sschell@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal to outfit and guide canoeing trips.				
	Location: UNIT - Marlinton Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Pocahontas. Greenbrier River.				
Elk River Touring Center DM	- Special use management	Completed	Exptd:07/2004 Actual: 07/31/2004	08/2004	Sara Schell (304) 257-4488 sschell@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal for a mountain bike race (recreational event) on National Forest System lands				
	Location: UNIT - Marlinton Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Pocahontas. Tea Creek Trail System.				
Hemlock Wooly Adelgid Control Blue Bend DM	- Research - Recreation management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start : 11/2004	Exptd:12/2004	04/2005	Lewis Blodgett (304) 846-2695 lblodgett@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposed control of Hemlock Wooly Adelgid at Blue Bend with predatory beetles and tree injection				
	Location: UNIT - Marlinton Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Greenbrier. Blue Bend Recreation Area.				
Hemlock Wooly Adelgid Control Highland Scenic Highway DM	- Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Research	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start : 11/2004	Exptd:03/2005	04/2005	Lewis Blodgett (304) 846-2695 lblodgett@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposed control of Hemlock Wooly Adelgid in Sugar Creek Watershed off of Highland Scenic Highway				
	Location: UNIT - Marlinton Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Pocahontas. Sugar Creek Watershed off of Highland Scenic Highway near Williams River.				

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Upper Williams EA	- Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Forest products	In Progress: 215 Comment period legal notice 06/24/2004	Exptd:01/2005	02/2005	Bill Shields (304) 636-1800 (287) bshields@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal to harvest timber, complete commercial thinning, reconstruct roads, and treat beech bark disease.				
	Location: UNIT - Marlinton Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Pocahontas. Woodrow Opportunity Area (43.005), Williams River East OA (43.006), Highland Scenic Hwy OA (46.112), Bluelick Run OA (46.113).				
Upper Williams Watershed Improvement EA	- Watershed management - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Road management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start : 10/2004	Exptd:02/2005	06/2005	Laura Hise (304) 636-1800 ext. 219 lhise@fs.fed.us
	Description: Improve watershed conditions through stream improvement projects including road storage, road abandonment, placement of large woody debris, planting in riparian corridors, construction of stream structures, and armoring of drainage channels.				
	Location: UNIT - Marlinton Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Pocahontas. Upper Williams Watershed.				

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Cheat/Potomac Ranger District		Monongahela National Forest		R9 - Eastern Region	
Big Run Riparian Fence Project DM	- Watershed management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start : 10/2004	Exptd:11/2004	05/2005	Michael Owen 304.636.1800.203 mdowen@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal to construct two miles of barbed wire fence around riparian areas of the Big Run Grazing Allotment.				
	Location: UNIT - Potomac Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Pendleton. Grassy Mountain Opportunity Area 56.107.				
Boy Scouts of America DM	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping start 06/21/2004	Exptd:10/2004	05/2005	Sara Schell (304) 257-4488 sschell@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal to use Seneca Rocks Picnic Area for a Camporee				
	Location: UNIT - Potomac Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Pendleton. Seneca Rocks.				
Gandy Creek Dispersed Horse Camp EA	- Watershed management - Recreation management	In Progress: Scoping start 03/01/2004	Exptd:02/2005	05/2005	Carol Whetsell 304-478-3251 cwhetsell@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal to create a low level dispersed camp for recreational horse users.				
	Location: UNIT - Potomac Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Randolph. Along Gandy Creek, Phares Knob Opportunity Area 53.008.				
Raven Ridge Trail Reroute DM	- Recreation management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start : 07/2004	Exptd:12/2004	05/2005	James Markley (304) 478-2000 Ext. 108 jmarkley@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal to reroute less than a quarter mile of trail in the Dolly Sods North Area to keep public use on Monongahela National Forest lands and off private land.				
	Location: UNIT - Potomac Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Tucker. LEGAL - Located in Tucker County; northeast part of US Tract 911NN; Headwaters of Left Fork of Red Creek. Approximately one quarter mile of Raven Ridge Trail #521 from northeast junction of Rocky Ridge Trail #524.				

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White Sulphur Crop Tree Release DM	- Vegetation management (other than forest products)	Completed	Exptd:07/2004 Actual: 08/10/2004	09/2004	Jane Bard 304-846-2695 jbard@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal to fell small trees in young stands to release oak and other species to enhance forest health				
	Location: UNIT - White Sulphur Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Greenbrier, Pocahontas. Various locations on the Marlinton/White Sulphur Districts.				

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